

Page 1, line 33, insert the following title: "**Summary of the Invention**".

Page 2, lines 1-2, please delete this paragraph.

Page 5, line 27, insert the following title: "**Brief Description of the Drawings**".

A2 Page 5, line 30, please insert the following title: **Description of Illustrated Embodiment**.

**In the Claims**

**Please amend claims 1-11 as follows:**

1. (Amended) A treatment device for correcting impairments to hearing, comprising an essentially cylindrically shaped housing formed of metal, the housing having a battery compartment and a sound exit opening, wherein the housing completely surrounds and shields an electronics unit located therein against electromagnetic waves.
2. (Amended) The treatment device according to claim 1, wherein the battery compartment comprises a watertight seal from the rest of the housing.
3. (Amended) The treatment device according to claim 1, wherein the sound exit opening is sealed by an acoustically transmitting, watertight film.
4. (Amended) The treatment device according to claim 2, wherein the sound exit opening is sealed by an acoustically transmitting, watertight film.

5. (Amended) The treatment device according to claim 1, wherein the housing comprises a first housing component with the battery compartment being fastened together with a second housing component and an O-ring seal (3) being located therebetween.

6. (Amended) The treatment device according to claim 1, wherein the treatment device is free of external moving operating elements.

7. (Amended) The treatment device according to claim 1, wherein the housing is composed of titanium or a titanium alloy.

8. (Amended) The treatment device according to claim 1, further comprising retaining means provided in the battery compartment to fix the position of a battery therein.

9. (Amended) The treatment device according to claim 8, wherein the battery compartment further comprises a hole of small diameter for allowing external access to the battery.

10. (Amended) The treatment device according to claim 8, wherein the retaining means comprise a magnet.

11. (Amended) The treatment device according to claim 10, wherein the magnet comprises a ring magnet, and wherein the battery compartment comprises a hole for allowing external access to the battery, the hole exiting into a center recess of the ring magnet.